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First Named Inventor: Robert D. Ainsworth, et al.

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Examiner's Name: MANTIS MERCADER, Eleni
Art Unit: 3737
Attorney Docket No.: 3764.P003

- An Amendment After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) is attached and applicant(s) request expedited action.
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 Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

ATTACHMENTS

- Preliminary Amendment
 Amendment/Response with respect to Office Action
 Amendment/Response After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) (reminder: consider filing a Notice of Appeal)
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
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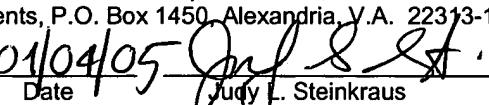
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter this Amendment After Final Action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and reconsider the application as amended for allowance.

Applicant respectfully submits that the above amendments place the claims in condition for allowance. The following remarks are responsive to the Final Office Action mailed

November 4, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.